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## SOCIALISTIC DISLOYALTY

AN interesting chapter was read into the testimony against the A. I. W. W. conspirators in their trial now in progress in Chicago when an extract from an impassioned war speech delivered at Wichita Falls, Texas, was corroborated. In this statement it appears that the only difference between a Socialist and an A. I. W. W. barn-burner is the name, for the evidence proves it. "When the Socialists clasp hands across the trenches, then, and then only, will the great war come to an end, when the Socialists shall have come into power throughout the world." After indulging in other analogous remarks the speaker declared that there was no use in subscribing to Liberty loan bonds for they would be repudiated by the A. I. W. W. after the war. Nothing could be more convincing than allying the American A. I. W. W. with the Bolsheviks who succeeded in destroying not alone the government but the people of Russia in their mad struggle for power. Scratch a Socialist and you will find an A. I. W. W. The only difference is that the former is usually more astute about expressing his convictions when he knows he is likely to be quoted.

## OFFICE FOR REVENUE ONLY

JUSTICE Dunsen wants to be a pensioner at the public crib. Not satisfied with the salary allowed by law he demands that everybody contribute to his support by coming forward to register at his office. The justice is not ashamed to say that he needs the money and needs it badly and that he is in office for revenue only, for he begs voters to fatten his bankroll by registering at his office so that he may receive the 15 cents which is allowed deputy registrars in country precincts. No one with a sense of decency or knowledge of the eternal economy that must be exercised these days, when the burden of taxes hangs around our necks like the proverbial mill stone, should sanction this infamous grab. By going to the courthouse every voter may be registered and the county saved the 15 cents, which amounts to considerable when the total is considered. Dunsen is one of these reformers who is willing to institute economies at the expense of others so long as he does not suffer. It makes a difference whose ox is gored.

## NEWS OF THE GREAT BATTLE

THERE is no use disguising the fact that the news from France is not as reassuring as we would like to see it. Something appears to have gone wrong with the calculations of the allies who seem not to have been advised of the formation of such overwhelming numbers of the enemy for the final encounter. For weeks the dispatches have teemed with stories telling how the allied forces held control of the air and therefore, it is only reasonable for the reader to presume that this mastery would lead to some definite information to guide the intelligence department in arriving at an estimate of what force was about to be hurled against the thinly scattered allied line of defense. Perhaps the information has been in possession of the generals and their aides through all these long weary weeks of preparation, for the appeals from the front to the Americans to hurry, hurry, to the relief were almost frantic in their anguish. However, if such were the case and all the preliminaries were known to the allied generals it does not explain why they should have been taken by surprise when the fifty or sixty divisions of German murderers were hurled against the defensive line. If they knew what was coming the element of surprise would have been eliminated and the retirement for a distance of ten miles would not have been accomplished with such precipitancy that they were forced to abandon large quantities of supplies. It is too early yet to gauge results or direction for the reports are of a very unsatisfactory nature and chiefly predicated on German claims of capturing some 25,000 men. In this connection it is well to realize that the Prussian bureaus are always prone to claim, as much as American political managers on the eve of election. Every member of the allied fighting force has supreme confidence in the generalship of General Foch, who is still fighting along the lines laid down three months ago when he expressed the belief that until the arrival of American forces in potential strength the allies would be compelled to rely upon wearing out the foe by a policy of attrition as the only means of not wantonly sacrificing the lives of the men entrusted to his direction. Human life is too precious for the allies to squander. It is theirs to conserve that the men in the ranks of democracy may be returned safely to their homes with the smallest showing of casualties consistent with honorable warfare. In the shell strewn and gas polluted atmosphere it is pleasant to note that the conduct of the American troops is equal to the best traditions of this country.

## SAWED-OFF SHOTGUNS

THERE is a true ring of the west in the statement that General Pershing has recommended to the war department the introduction of the sawed-off shotgun in trench warfare. The weapon is identified with the bravest class of men who ever guarded a sacred trust committed to Wells-Fargo, who would be helpless if they did not have their little old sawed-off shotgun which had a knack of covering so much territory with its sweep of buckshot that it never failed to score against any surprise sprung by a gang of bandits. It did not make any difference whether the robbery was planned against an old-fashioned stage toiling up some lonely pass of the Sierras or against the messenger in charge of a car on some limited train sweeping across the prairies of Iowa, Kansas or Illinois, the execution was the same in the long run and it was something unusual when the freebooters succeeded in carrying off any of the treasure. The messenger always felt confident of his ability to stand off any gang, providing he got the faintest show for his life and it was only in rare cases that the shotgun failed to win. One of the most daring and effective defenses ever put up by a solitary messenger with his trusty shotgun was about fifteen years ago in the vicinity of Barstow when that section was regarded as the hell hole of creation and the nesting place for as

tough a gang of outlaws as ever infested a lonely road. In that particular case the messenger boldly sprang out from the protection of his car and began shooting with such effect that in a few minutes he was alone and master of the field with one dead and two wounded outlaws defiling the landscape. The Hole in the Wall gang of Wyoming would still be in the saddle were it not for the universal adoption of the sawed-off shotgun by every bank within range of that aerie of lawlessness. The McCarthy boys were the latest of that stronghold, but they met their Waterloo when they descended on the town of Delta, Colo., and began terrorizing the inhabitants by firing volley after volley in every direction while confederates were engaged in tying up the bank employees and looting the vault. That was good enough in its way, but the alarm brought out a score of sawed-off shotguns and the citizens of Delta began to make such good use of their weapons that the gang dashed off leaving several of their number dead in front of the bank. That broke up the business of bank robbery which was never popular again in western Colorado. The sawed-off shotgun had its origin, if reports are correct, in the district of which Coffeyville, Kansas, was the center and during the period after the war when the southwestern country was overrun with guerrilla bands from the Quantrells on down to the James and Dalton boys whose escapades were rendered unpleasantly exciting by the introduction of the sawed-off shotgun which is more dangerous than a machine gun in the hands of an antagonist. The old pump guns were serious enough to face but, now that the automatic action has been applied to the gun it is more deadly than any other weapon at close range or within a distance of 300 yards.

Before Pershing gets through with this war there will be other commonsense changes which will lead to the scrapping of a lot of antiquated methods of slaughter.

## AIRDALE MAKE BEST WAR DOGS IN INTELLIGENCE AND COURAGE

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, May 31.—The Airdale, a shaggy, sad-eyed dog that gained popularity only in recent years, has convinced officers of the central department, signal corps, United States army, of its superiority over all breeds as a canine war messenger. "The Airdale surpasses all other dogs in point of intelligence, and although peaceful, is also most courageous," said one officer. "Tests have established beyond doubt its superiority over other dogs as a war messenger, particularly those used by the German army."

"The Airdale is a cross from a bull terrier, otter hound and a Berkeley terrier. It is a result of years of careful breeding and its name, it is said, is derived from the Aire valley

of England, where it originated."

The dogs now in training were either given to the signal corps by patriotic citizens or purchased by interested army officers. Scores of them with long pedigrees and valued highly have been given and other offers are coming in daily. Females are in greater demand because of their intelligence. Methods of training are a military secret.

"When the dogs are taken at the age of ten to eighteen months and properly developed as one-man dogs (for the Airdale is distinctly a one-man dog) no east can equal them as war dogs," said the officer. Their color blends perfectly with night shades. The ability of the dogs to slip quietly through barb wire entanglements without a scratch is remarkable.

## EVERY BRITISH AIR PILOT MUST BE EXPERT WIRELESS OPERATOR

(By Associated Press.)

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, May 31.—Every pilot in the British air service is now a trained wireless telegraphist. The field of use of the wireless in connection with airplanes is, however, limited by two factors—the weight of the apparatus and the noise and vibration of the engines. Heavier than air craft cannot remain aloft, as airplanes can, with engines stopped for the better reception of long distance wireless messages. But the wireless has enlarged the field of use of airplanes in warfare. Messages transmitted by the "cavalry of the air" now keep headquarters in touch with every visible movement on the part of the enemy. It is however, in connection with artillery that wireless is chiefly employed. The comparatively light sets required for the transmission of messages a distance equal to the range of the largest of modern guns is but a small load for the average two-seater airplane.

The difficulty of receiving "sound" signals in the air will be apparent when it is stated that conversation between pilot and observer is impracticable, without the use of special "loudspeaking" telephones, on account of the noises made by the engine, the hum of the vibrating rigging, and the rush of the air. The effect of vibration, apart from the noise, is perhaps the greatest difficulty to overcome in designing the receiving apparatus.

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## RESIDENTS REFUSE TO LEAVE DUNKIRK

LONDON, May 31.—Dunkirk, "the city of dreadful night," it is pointed out by a correspondent of the Daily Mail, has been mentioned perhaps more often in French communiques during this war than any other city. There are weeks when it is rare for a communique not to conclude with the words, "Enemy airplanes dropped bombs on Dunkirk during the night," or "A long-range gun has fired into Dunkirk."

That seaport, the nearest of all to the firing line, is now scarcely less dear to the hearts of the French people than Verdun, and, like Verdun, it has been decorated for its courage under fire. Recently France's biggest ship was launched there.

The amazing thing about Dunkirk, the writer continues, is that it is still a city. Its inhabitants, refusing to leave, have carried on its normal life with indomitable courage. Tramway cars run as usual along its cobbled streets and well-stocked shops are open every day. Weekly in the main square, market is held and the countless stalls are well patronized by shrewd housewives.

The frequent bombardments from sea, land and air are not laughed at, although they are taken as a matter of course. Bedrooms, instead of being on the upper floors of the houses, are now in the cellars, and public dugouts dot the town as do the air raid shelters of London.

Scarcely a house or wall in the town remains without its record of the enemy's continual efforts to destroy Dunkirk.

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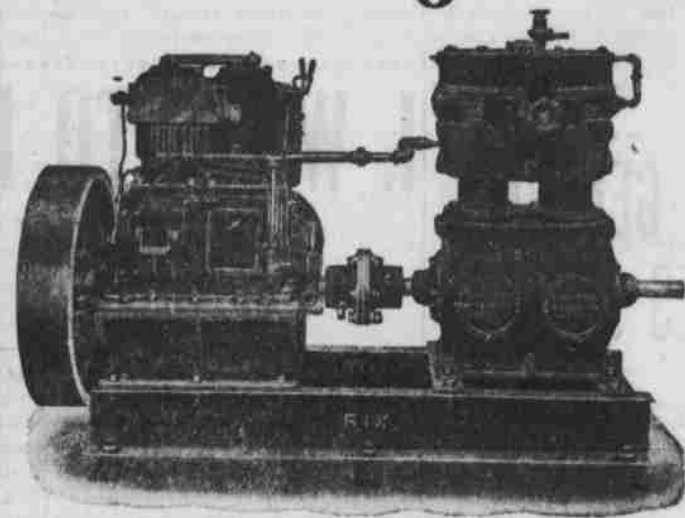
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